

**AMENDMENT TO THE COMMITTEE PRINT**  
**OFFERED BY MR. WESTERMAN OF ARKANSAS**

Amend section 70401 to read as follows:

1   **SEC. 70401. EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE NEPA IMPLEMEN-**  
2                                   **TATION.**

3           In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is  
4   appropriated to the Department of the Interior for fiscal  
5   year 2022, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise  
6   appropriated, \$150,000,000, to remain available until  
7   September 30, 2031, except that no amounts may be ex-  
8   pende d after September 30, 2031, to provide for more effi-  
9   cient and more effective environmental reviews under the  
10   National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 through—

11                   (1) the hiring and training of additional per-  
12                   sonnel;

13                   (2) the development of programmatic assess-  
14                   ments or templates;

15                   (3) the procurement of technical or scientific  
16                   services;

17                   (4) the development of data or technology sys-  
18                   tems;

19                   (5) stakeholder and community engagement;

20                   (6) the purchase of new equipment; and

1           (7) the establishment and expanded use of cat-  
2           egorical exclusions for forest management activities  
3           where the primary purpose of such activity is to—

4                 (A) protect a municipal or Tribal water  
5                 source from damage caused by wildfire;

6                 (B) improve ecosystem health, resilience,  
7                 and other watershed and habitat conditions;

8                 (C) improve, maintain, or restore water  
9                 yield or quality;

10                (D) improve, maintain, or restore  
11                snowpack;

12                (E) adapt the forest landscape to an in-  
13                creased threat of drought; or

14                (F) any combination of the purposes speci-  
15                fied in paragraphs (A) through (E).

